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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of: **HIRASE, Katsunori et al.**

Group Art Unit: 2614

Serial No.: 09/977,459

Examiner: **Paulos M. Natnael**

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For: **IMAGE DATA OUTPUT DEVICE AND RECEIVING DEVICE**

**AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR §1.111**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

December 21, 2004

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated **September 30, 2004**, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 10 of this paper.